

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q76597

Futoshi NAKAMURA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/564,316

Group Art Unit: unknown

Confirmation No.: 7489

Examiner: unknown

Filed: January 12, 2006

For: MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM USING GRAIN ISOLATION TYPE FILM AS UNDER LAYER, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME, AND MAGNETIC RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS USING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

MAIL STOP PCT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)," mailed April 21, 2006 for the above application, Applicant respectfully submits herewith a copy of the Declaration for the above identified application properly executed by the inventors.

A check for the statutory fee of \$130.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

05/27/2006 GREY: 00000141 10354316

01 PG:1617

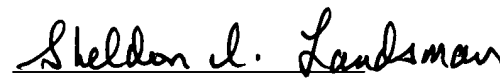
130.00 US

SUGHRUE MION, PLLC
Telephone: (202) 293-7060
Facsimile: (202) 293-7860

WASHINGTON OFFICE
23373
CUSTOMER NUMBER

Date: June 21, 2006

Respectfully submitted,


Sheldon I. Landsman
Registration No. 25,430



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
 United States Patent and Trademark Office
 Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
 www.uspto.gov

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO. | FIRST NAMED APPLICANT | ATTY. DOCKET NO. |
| 10/564,316 | Futoshi Nakamura | Q76597 |

23373
 SUGHRUE MION, PLLC
 2100 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W.
 SUITE 800
 WASHINGTON, DC 20037

DOCKETED

APR 26 2006

| |
|-------------------------------|
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. |
|-------------------------------|

PCT/JP04/10271

| | |
|------------------|---------------|
| I.A. FILING DATE | PRIORITY DATE |
|------------------|---------------|

07/13/2004

07/14/2003

CONFIRMATION NO. 7489

371 FORMALITIES LETTER



OC000000018591318

Date Mailed: 04/21/2006

NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/12/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/12/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/12/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/12/2006
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 01/12/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/12/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/12/2006
- Specification filed on 01/12/2006
- Claims filed on 01/12/2006
- Abstracts filed on 01/12/2006
- Drawings filed on 01/12/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- ~~Oath or declaration~~ of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

DEBORAH D WILLIAMS

Telephone: (703) 308-9140 EXT 205

PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY

| U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO. | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. | ATTY. DOCKET NO. |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| 10/564,316 | PCT/JP04/10271 | Q76597 |